

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 59

By Powers

A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of Sergeant Major Kenneth Eugene Goins of LaFollette.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly were greatly saddened to learn of the passing of Sergeant Major Kenneth Eugene Goins; and

WHEREAS, Sergeant Major Kenneth Eugene Goins was an exemplary public servant and consummate professional who worked assiduously to improve the quality of life for his fellow citizens in numerous capacities; and

WHEREAS, a native of Coolidge in LaFollette, Sergeant Major Goins was the son of Luther M. and Helen Goins; and

WHEREAS, a Vietnam War veteran, he retired from the U.S. Army at the rank of Sergeant Major after twenty-one years of service; Sergeant Major Goins spent an additional twenty-one years as a member of the Campbell County Honor Guard, for which he played the bugle, and he later retired from the Kroger Company after twenty years of employment; and

WHEREAS, Sergeant Major Kenneth Goins was an active and devout member of Coolidge First Baptist Church; and

WHEREAS, Sergeant Major Goins was also deeply devoted to his family, and he always endeavored to remain true to family values of the highest order; and

WHEREAS, Sergeant Major Goins was the proud father of Darlene Valencia, Kenneth Goins, Jr., and Michael Goins, and the doting grandfather of Sarah Goins, David Goins, Kristopher Jonathan Menke, and Oliva Michelle Menke; and

WHEREAS, Sergeant Major Goins is lovingly remembered by his great-grandchildren, Jacob Mazon-Menke, Laci Mazon-Menke, Shane Menke, Kristopher Menke, Jr., Cherish Menke, and Marissa Menke; his sisters Edith Lewis and Bonnie Smith; his brothers Taylor

Goins, Robert Goins, Kermit Goins, and David Goins; and a host of other relatives and friends;  
and

WHEREAS, in addition to his parents, Sergeant Major Goins was preceded in death by his brothers Carl and Earl Goins and his sister Marie Goins; and

WHEREAS, Sergeant Major Kenneth Goins leaves behind an indelible legacy of integrity and probity in public life, compassion and loyalty in private life, and diligence and dedication in all his chosen endeavors; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to remember the bountiful life of this exceptional public servant and human being; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED TENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we honor the memory of Sergeant Major Kenneth Eugene Goins, reflecting fondly upon his impeccable character and his stalwart commitment to living the examined life with courage and conviction.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we express our sympathy and offer our condolences to the family of Sergeant Major Kenneth Eugene Goins.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.